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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 16 April 2010 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

a) ☐ entered.

b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.

c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

d) ☒ disapproved. See explanation below.

e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

(1) Original numbering of the claims must be maintained in the amendment. Please do not renumber the claims.

(2) Each claim has to be provided with the proper status identifier in relation to the latest version of claims as filed on 12/11/2009

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